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EXPANDED PARTICLE, AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCING MOLDED FOAM

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Sir :

This paper responds to the Office Action mailed October 29, 2009. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of record in view of the following amendments and remarks. Inasmuch as the Office Action sets a three-month shortened statutory period for response to expire on January 29, 2010, Applicants file with this response a Request for Three-Month Extension of Time and required fee. If any additional fees are deemed necessary, this is an express request for any required fee to maintain the pendency of the application, and authorization to charge any required fee to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Abstract begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.